were 19.61%. In order to reduce transmission and distribution losses, the Electricity Supply Act has been amended and theft of power has been made a cognizable offence. The government have also introduced a scheme for incentive payment to the State Electricity Boards and Distribution Divisions of State Electricity Boards for reducing T&D Losses. Other measures for reduction of T&D losses. Other measures for reduction of T & D losses include System Improvement Schemes, strengthening of Transmission and Distribution system, installation of tamper proof metres, etc.

(d) The following proposals with a total capacity of 1450 MW are under consideration for the installation of new power stations in the private sector:-

(i) M / s. Bombay Suburban Electric Supply Limited at Dahanu (coal based)	1×500 MW
(ii) M / s. Reliance Industries Limited, Bombay at Bharuch, Gujarat (coal based)	600 MW
(iii) L.K. Power Corporation, Yadgir, Karnataka	250 MW
(iv) M / s. Ahmedabad Electricity Co. Ltd. (AEC) at Vatwa (Ahmedabad) (Gas based)	100 MW

Prices of products of M/s. Pfizer

2086. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in 'the Economic times' of 20th February, 1989 captioned "DPCO peps up Drug Industry";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that M/s. Pfizer has made a swelling profit of 456.25 per cent in six months after the announcement of DPCO, 1987;

(c) if so, what are the names of formulations which have been price decontrolled under DPCO, 1987;

(d) what was the earlier and what is the present price alongwith percentage change;

(e) whether his Ministry has increased the prices of any controlled products of the company;

(f) if so, what are the names of drugs alongwith their earlier and present prices; and

(g) names of bulk drugs being imported and indigenously produced by the company alongwith production and consumption of each during 1988?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (g) The required details will be collected and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

New Public Call Offices in Nalgonda

2087. SHRI PRABHAKAR RAO KALVALA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new public call offices and sub-post offices opened in Nalgonda District of Andhra Pradesh during 1987-88;

(b) whether Government propose to open new public call offices and sub-post offices in Nalgonda district during 1989-90; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the funds allocated for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) Two Public Call Offices and no new post offices were opened in Nalgonda District of Andhra Pradesh during 1987-88.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Three Public Telephones at Villages Kambalpalli, Parivedula and Chintalapalam and five Post Offices at villages Nandipadu, Pallepahed, Parepally, Halia and SLBC Camp Gandhamvarigudem are proposed to be opened during 1989-90.

No separate funds are allocated for Public Call Offices. Expenditure is met from the lumpsum grant placed at the disposal of the Circle.

As regards Post Offices, budget allocations have not yet been finalised.

Foreign collaboration in pen industry

2088. SHRI M.A. BABY :
SHRI MOHAMMED AMIN :
SHRI P.K. KUNJACHEN :
SHRI SUKOMAL SEN :

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact that some foreign pen manufacturing companies are keep in tie-ups with Indian companies;

(b) if so, which are those foreign companies and the Indian companies; and

(c) what is Government's reaction in the matter and what are the other details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : (a) to (c) No proposals for foreign collaboration in the pen industry are under the consideration of the Government.

Setting up of Telecommunication Commission

2089. PROF. C. LAKSHMANNA :
SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA :
SHRI KAMAL MORARKA :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government have decided to set up an autonomous telecommunication for dealing with all matters concerned with the telecommunications sectors;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether there is any difference between the National Mission on Telecommunication and this proposed organisation; and

(d) what organisational links will be established between the two organisations?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR COMANGO) : (a) The Government has decided to set up a Telecom. Commission with enhanced powers and not an autonomous Telecom. Commission.

(b) The Telecommunications Commission will consist of a Chairman and 4 full time Members *viz* Member (Services), Member (Production), Member (Technology) and Member (Finance) and 4 part time Members, *viz.* Secretary (Industry), Secretary (Department of Electronics), Secretary (Finance Department of Economic Affairs) and Secretary (Planning). The Telecom. Commission will be responsible for :

— Formulation of perspective policies on matters relating to telecommunications in India with overall responsibility to modernise